

BRITISH LINES HOLD AGAINST BLOODY ONSETS

Germany's Biggest Push Since Marne Continuing Furiously Today.

CONCENTRATED GUNS TAKE FEARFUL TOLL

London Prepared for Heavy Casualty Lists; Enemy Losses Greater.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Germany's latest push since the Marne is continuing today. The fighting around Cambrai is of unabated ferocity. The British lines are holding. Hald reported the repulse of hostile attacks near Novesures and detailed successful minor encounters near Bourlon. The British capturing machine guns and prisoners. Both the British and Germans are using cavalry. The enemy artillery concentration exceeds anything the enemy has staged since Verdun. The Bourlon fighting is particularly violent. Some positions have changed hands a dozen times since Saturday. Massed machine guns, eight on a side are often fired point blank into the opposing ranks.

London is prepared for a heavy death toll, but with the realization that German casualties must be nearly double the British. The Germans are fighting in closely packed ranks with fearful losses to them. The weight of the German reserves has admittedly forced some readjustment of the British lines. Machine guns, a pile of stones and bricks was voluntarily given to the enemy. The town was untenable because of fierce German shelling. The British forces shifted their positions at other points.

Cain 6000 Prisoners.
BERLIN, Dec. 3.—Six thousand prisoners and one hundred guns have been captured since the Germans launched the Cambrai drive Friday. It is officially stated.
The British attack between Inchy and Bourlon was repulsed. Enemy assaults elsewhere were repulsed.

ALLIED COUNCIL POSTPONES WAR AIMS STATEMENT

ROME, Dec. 3.—The interallied council has decided to postpone temporarily a restatement of war aims. It is believed the statement was postponed because the delegates believed the allies should first settle the more pressing war questions.

Colonel House presided and spoke briefly at the meeting of allied statesmen and war experts this afternoon. Most of the Americans are visiting the front trench.

It is learned the council has decided on standardized airplanes. Certain models will be adopted and used on every front by every army.

To Standardize Models.

The varied types of airplanes the allies now use will be reduced to certain specified and approved tested series of models. These will be standardized. This is expected to result in an enormously increased output of machines.

Business Method Used.

Colonel House devised a plan for the business like dispatch of the problems before the council, which was used. House discovered a number of the participants primed with speeches. House believed in fast working and quickly decided the board should be formed along the lines of the board of directors of American business corporations. He consulted Premier Clemenceau with the result the speeches and banquets were eliminated and the business accomplished in three days. Excepting the standardization of airplanes, the council's decisions are unknown. The Italian and Russian situations played no important part in the discussions. House announced he will remain in Paris a few days.

BEERSHEBA HOME OF BOMBING HEROES

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Beersheba, recently captured by the British army in Palestine, derives its main interest from its connection with the Biblical patriarchs, and served as a residence successively to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The low plateau round the town is very fertile, but cultivation is neglected by the neighboring fellahs. The district was very thickly populated in the Roman and Arab times.

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DAILY SEMI-WEEKLY INDEPENDENT

MOUNTAIN THAT IS SAVING ITALY



Monte Grappa has long been a barrier to the invasion of Italy from the Trentino. The Austro-Germans once reached its northern slopes, but were thrown back to the lower mountains before it. There are still assaulting desperately, especially near Monte Fortina. The Italian line, resting on the rugged fastnesses of Monte Grappa, is holding firmly and the onrush of the invaders appears to have been definitely halted. The inset map shows Monte Grappa's relation to the entire Piave line.

ONE U. S. SOLDIER KILLED, TWO WOUNDED IN REPELLING RAID OF MEXICAN BANDITS

PRESIDIO, Dec. 3.—A small detachment of United States cavalry border patrol killed 33 Mexican bandits and wounded many others in repelling a raid on American ranches by a force of 200 bandits under Chico Cano near Buena Vista. One American soldier and a ranch hand were killed; two others were wounded.

Lieut. Matlock commanded the Americans who fought the bandits under Chico Cano near Buena Vista Saturday.

Matlock discovered the bandits' plan of ambushing the United States patrol. Matlock's men cut 35 bandits from the rest of the party and killed every bandit. Matlock ordered a retreat when 100 Mexicans attacked him.

Two American machine gun troops reached Matlock's force. The bandits fled.

NATIONAL PROHIBITION MEASURE IS READY FOR INTRODUCTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Representative Randall of California, has a nationwide prohibition for the duration of the war as a food conservation measure ready for introduction. The measure provides a \$5000 fine for selling, making, transporting, importing or use of food fruit or feed in the production of alcoholic beverages.

ANNUAL CONVENTION FARMERS UNION OPENS HERE TOMORROW

Tomorrow the annual state convention of the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union will open in this city and continue through Thursday while on Friday a meeting of the Tri-State Terminal Warehouse Co., a subsidiary organization, will be held. A large number of delegates are expected from all parts of the state and southern Idaho.

The most distinguished delegate will be C. S. Barrett of Georgia, the national president, who is to be one of the principal speakers. All of the big problems connected with the farming industry are to be discussed and the convention promises to develop much of interest and benefit to those who attend.

The state executive board is here today and the meeting of the county library program for the three days. The board consists of J. D. Brown, president, F. A. Siles, secretary, and Messrs. W. W. Harnah, C. J. Whitaker, Atkinson and Parks.

The meetings will probably be held in the auditorium of the county library unless the attendance should be too large for that hall. In such an event the meetings will be held at the Christian church just across the street.

Entertainment Planned.

This morning at 11 o'clock there was held a joint meeting of the special committees appointed by the local

VENICE FREE FROM MENACE GERMAN DRIVE

Austro-German Advance to Adriatic End of Piave Line Halted.

MARSH TRENCHES AID IN STOPPING ENEMY

French and British Armies Take Over Vulnerable Points in Line.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Venice is believed safe. The Austro-German advance to the Adriatic end of the Piave line has halted, Rome cables asserted. Specially trained Italians constructed marsh trenches through the swamps, checking the invaders.

(HENRY D. WOOD.)

WITH FRENCH IN ITALY, Dec. 3.—The French and British armies have taken over the vulnerable points on the Piave river front.

The Piave line is quiet now. The enemy is evidently reforming troops and laying plans for renewed assaults. The enemy will find the Piave an impassable barrier.

Victorian Poets and Tommies are aching for a chance at the enemy. Many French and British never fought the Austrians, who compose many of the armies opposite the Italians. Its against the Austrians in particular the allied reinforcements would like to test their force. The Italians here in defense paralleled the French defense in Verdun. Like Verdun the defenders were able to hold their positions against the fierce enemy attacks until reinforcements arrived. The reinforcements are now here and the danger is past.

HUSBAND IS KILLED BY WOMAN BARBER

MITCHELL, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Cordelia Fought, a woman barber, shot and probably fatally wounded her husband, James Fought, following a fight in her barbershop. Mrs. Fought was arrested on a murder charge.

ELKS PAY TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF DEPARTED BROTHERS

Eloquent Address of D. Solis Cohen One of Best Ever Heard Here.

Pendleton Lodge No. 288, R. P. O. E. paid tribute yesterday to the memory of its departed brothers, 39 in number. It was a tribute as beautiful as it was impressive, expressed in the eloquent words of a gifted orator and in music attuned to the spirit of the occasion.

D. Solis Cohen of Portland delivered the memorial address and it was such an address that it not only raised the memories of those brothers who have passed on and did honor to their merits and virtues but also made better Elks and better men of those brothers to whose hands are now entrusted the service for which the order stands. His parting injunction took note of the world here and the extraordinary demand it is making for service, and he admonished those Elks who remain at home to do their bit in assuming the responsibilities of the members who have answered the call of their country.

The services were held in the Arcade theater which was crowded to capacity. B. W. Ritter, exalted ruler, presided over the meeting, and the other officers were at their posts and participated in the ceremonies. The services were opened by an overture played by an orchestra directed by Charles O. French. Other musical numbers during the program were vocal solos by Miss Esther South and S. J. Lench, a violin solo by Mr. Treach, a quartet number by Mrs. Forshaw, Mrs. Raymond Hatch, Clyde. The services were opened by an overture and doxology by the ladies and audience. Benediction was pronounced by Rev. H. H. Hubbard.

Secretary Fitz Gerald called the roll of the absent brothers and answered absent for each one. The following are the members of Pendleton lodge who have died since the founding of the order: Samuel Shugart, E. T. Murphy, C. C. Guernsey, E. D. Boyd, Chas. Ziegler, E. W. Waite, K. Van Dren, Frank H. Parr, H. H. Hubbard, T. G. Halley.

SIXTY-FIFTH CONGRESS IS OPENED; WAR EXPENSES FOR YEAR ESTIMATED AT THIRTEEN AND A HALF BILLION

McAdoo Presents Figures to Congress; War Dept. Asks for \$10,200,000,000.

EXPENSES CLOSE TO 37 MILLION DAILY

Navy Wants Billion, Food Administration Seeks Five Million Dollars.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—War expenses for the year ending June 30th will total \$12,594,327,959, according to estimates Secretary McAdoo sent Congress. The war department wants \$10,200,000,000, including a \$1,125,000,000 for a gigantic aircraft program.

The navy asks \$1,947,000,000; the food administration, \$2,000,000. Among the war department estimates there is \$75,000,000 for tanks, \$3,127,000,000 for expanding coast fortifications, arsenals and military and military posts; \$2,572,000,000 for munitions.

War expenses are approximately \$37,000,000 daily.

Cavalry Horses Asked.
The war department evidently expects open fighting abroad for it asks \$28,000,000 for cavalry horses.

The navy department plans to spend \$125,000,000 additional for completing the torpedo boat destroyers already authorized; \$29,000,000 toward armor and armament for vessels previously authorized; and \$22,000,000 for submarines.

More Cargo Ships.
Daniels didn't ask for additional warships.

The government proposes to spend \$299,217,000 for construction of cargo ships, exceeding the present year's appropriation by forty-five million.

The total budget submitted today, which is \$2,284,602,496, under this year's figures included the seven billion dollars loaned the allies. Additional coast defense batteries will be constructed in Hawaii and the Philippines. The war department asks seventy-eight million to increase the facilities at arsenals for making munitions, guns and other munitions.

TEMPORARY TRUCE ONLY LIKELIHOOD IN RUSS SITUATION

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 3.—Although he Bolsheviks continued to negotiate a separate peace it is strongly indicated the mass of the Russian people will never recognize such a pact. The newspaper Hvalochaya, Gazette, expressing the common Russian view, declared Bolshevikism is facing destruction as a result of military disorganization, disappointment and disillusionment. It declared "only the immediate unity of the entire democracy and immediate war on the quarters can save us. We must destroy the miserable Bonapartes."

Trotsky declared last Friday evening the central powers must accept no annexation demands in the literal meaning. This is taken to indicate little likelihood of anything more than a temporary truce.

MRS. W.K. VANDERBILT WITH AMERICAN AMBULANCE



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Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, with other American women, has been very active in connection with the American

LODGE URGES WAR ON AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Declaring unqualifiedly for war on Austria, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts ranking republican member of the senate foreign affairs committee, said it is essential to complete unity among the allies.
"We must Colonel House abroad in the interest of allied unity," Lodge said. "To obtain unity it is essential we all fight the same enemies. Therefore we should immediately line up against Austria, which really is new as much our enemy as Germany."

CITY ELECTION NOW BUT FOR NEW LAW

Ordinarily Pendleton would be in the throes of a city election today. But for the passage of a new law by the last legislature, this city along with many others in the state would have been electing a mayor and four councilmen as the city laws provide for the holding of an election on the first Monday in December every two years.

The last legislature passed a law to make state, county and city elections fall on the same day and date. This law makes the present administration hold over until next November. The terms of Mayor Best and Councilmen Murphy, Phelps, Eli and Vaughan would have expired January 1 but for the new law which gives them an extension of official life for another year.

JOURNALISM TUTOR OUSTED FOR SPEECH

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., Dec. 3.—Leonidas R. Whipple, professor of journalism at the University of Virginia, was dropped from the faculty today by the board of visitors after an investigation of alleged defoliation sentiments expressed by him in an address at Sweet Brier College, Va., last week.

MRS. HOWDYSHILL CALLED BY DEATH

SUCCUMBS TO ATTACK OF HEART FAILURE AT 10 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING.

Mrs. E. E. Howdysheill died this morning at 10 o'clock at her home, 500 Mill street, death being due to heart failure. Though she had been paralyzed for some time, there was no indication that death was near. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Howdysheill was past 70 years old. She is survived by her husband, one son, Brady Howdysheill, and three daughters, Mrs. Nellie Terney, Mrs. Nettie Temple and Mrs. Belle Cargill, all of whom live near Pendleton. Two sisters, one at Athens and the other at Milton, also survive her.

Prayers for Victory Offered in Both Houses at Re-assembling Today.

WAR ON GERMANY'S ALLIES IS URGED

Sentiment Declared to be Strong Among Many of the Congressmen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The sixty-fifth congress convened promptly at noon, met a few minutes and then adjourned until tomorrow.

Prayers for victory were offered in both houses.

Senator Robert La Follette formally announced the death of his colleague, Paul Hastings, immediately after roll call. The senate adopted a condolence resolution and adjourned until Tuesday noon through respect for him. The house formally invited the President to speak tomorrow noon.

Sentiment among congressmen is strong for a declaration of war against Germany's allies, although the President is reported to oppose this move.

"Win or Perish" is Prayer.

Rev. Forrest Prettyman, opening senate prayer, "We face the mightiest task ever confronting any generation. We thank thee that we've taken our place in this, in behalf of the brotherhood of nations and peace throughout the world."

The house chaplain asked "In this, the darkest hour of human history help us as a people to appreciate the gravity of the situation and unite us in bonds of patriotism that we may throw all our moral, intellectual and physical force into the conflict with grim determination to win or perish."

PEP MEETING MARKS RE-OPENING P. H. S.

Victorious Football Team Honored at First Session Since 3 Day Vacation.

School sessions were resumed this morning at the high school after a vacation of three days. The day opened with a pep meeting in honor of the football team, which is claiming a tie for the state high school honors following the defeat of Franklin high of Portland by La Grande, which team was tied by the Pendleton team.

Should any members of the faculty leave, Principal Drill announced this morning that work would be substituted for any drop courses. Current events, more physics, chemistry, mathematics will probably be the new courses offered. Physical training under the direction of Griff H. Jones, football coach, may also be added to the curriculum for the boys.

Free picture shows for students may be another innovation following the partial sanctioning of this course by the board last Friday. To aid this enterprise curtains for the large windows in the assembly room will have to be provided.

There are new students entered this morning, with several former students dropping out.

GOVERNMENT TO BUY ALL SILVER OUTPUT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The treasury department announced the government will buy the country's entire silver output. Prices will be fixed at a fair profit to producers.

MRS. MARY DOHERTY CLAIMED BY DEATH

Wife of Prominent Stockman Succumbs to Two Years' Illness.

Following an illness of nearly two years, Mrs. Mary Doherty, wife of Pat Doherty, prominent farmer and stockman of the county, died late Saturday night at St. Anthony's Hospital. Death was due to tuberculosis.

A requiem mass was held this morning at 7:30 at St. Mary's Catholic church after which the remains were taken to the cemetery near Nye for interment. Quite a number of the Pendleton friends of the deceased accompanied the body to its last resting place.

Mrs. Doherty was the mother of six children, ranging from two to sixteen years. She was 35 years old and a native of Ireland.